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| Serial No.:       | 09/932,408  | Group Art Unit: | 2131           |
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| Confirmation No.: | 4316  | Customer No.:   | 33769          |
| For:              | METHOD AND SYSTEM<br>FOR MAINTAINING<br>SECURE<br>SEMICONDUCTOR<br>DEVICE AREAS | Dated:          | March 24, 2005 |

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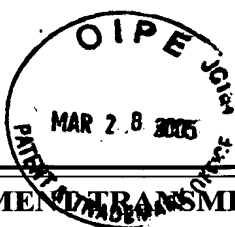
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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS:**

In response to the Office Action dated November 24, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:



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| <b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Large Entity)</b> |  |  |  | <b>Docket No.</b><br>621-334 |  |
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Invention: **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR MAINTAINING SECURE SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AREAS**

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